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1. **JP-A S62-72732** - An English language abstract of this document is provided herewith.
2. **JP-A H9-27606** - An English language abstract of this document is provided herewith.
3. **JP-A H2-180278** - An English language abstract of this document is provided herewith.
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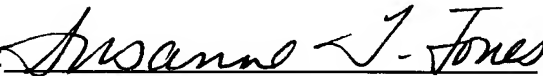
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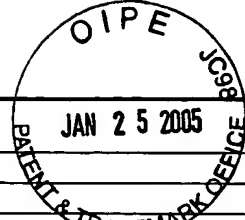
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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